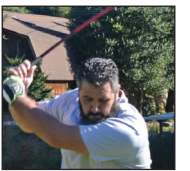




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## New Maglev Report Details Route and Station Options

by Gary Childs

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Its backers say that the Superconducting Magnetic Levitation (maglev) high-speed train proposal will ease traffic congestion in the region and provide jobs, and introduce a new, cutting edge technology to improve transportation in the Baltimore-Washington and ultimately Northeast region. Its opponents counter that it will do little to improve traffic for most commuters, will have adverse effects on the environment and will be an expenditure of billions of dollars better used to repair and improve existing roads and public transportation systems. The controversial maglev project

reached a milestone last Thursday in the publication of the Final Alternatives Report, available at [bwmaglev.info/index.php/project-documents/reports](http://bwmaglev.info/index.php/project-documents/reports).

The report looks closely at the two route alternatives (along with the no-build alternative) and also refines and narrows options for where the three maglev stations, in Washington, Baltimore and at BWI, will be located.

According to the report, the purpose of the maglev project is to “evaluate, and ultimately construct and operate a safe, revenue-producing, high-speed ground transportation system that achieves the optimum operating

See **MAGLEV**, page 12

## Boys to Men Provides Male Role Models and Support

by Jamal Williams

Xavier Heron, a senior at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, is navigating life as many teenagers do – going to school, getting good grades and enjoying time with his friends. Rather than excel in sports or business, his goal is to major in fashion design at the university of his choice. “I like fashion and it is something I have always been interested in pursuing,” Heron said. However, he does struggle to cope with adolescent challenges without a consistent male role model in his life. A safe space for young men to talk about their particular issues is Boys to Men of Greater Washington.

Boys to Men of Greater Washington specializes in creating a safe space where young men can talk about the events, emotions and experiences in their lives. It is a program dedicated to helping young men between the ages of 14 and 18 who don’t have a



PHOTO BY JAMAL WILLIAMS

Boys to Men mentoring meets at Springhill Lake Recreation Center on November 11.

steady male role model in their lives. The national organization, Boys to Men USA, extends from California to Vermont.

Mentors may sign up as early

as 18 years of age. They are males who are willing to be a constant role model in a young

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## American Education Week

In celebration of American Education, the News Review offers a closer look at some of the schools serving the Greenbelt community. Last week the paper covered Eleanor Roosevelt High School and Magnolia and Greenbelt Elementary Schools. This week, the News Review presents the remaining three profiles, featuring Turning Point Academy, Springhill Lake Elementary School and Greenbelt Middle School. Dora Kennedy French Immersion School chose not to participate.

## Elementary Educator Extols Extent of ESOL Programs

by Camila Velloso



PHOTO BY CAMILA VELLOSO

Springhill Lake Elementary School

After dismissal, sounds of laughter fill the hallways of Springhill Lake Elementary. Inside the colorful classrooms, dedicated teachers gleefully chat as they finish up the day’s tasks. Among them is Maria Frontanes, an English as a Second Language teacher and program coordinator who has been at the school for nine years.

“Our school has a plethora of programs,” Frontanes said. Two of their most popular programs, Reading Together and Imagine Learning, focus on development and enhancement for ESOL students. “We have 13 languages spoken within our families of the building,” Frontanes added.

Of the 888 students enrolled

in Springhill Lake Elementary, 382 – or 43 percent – are ESOL students and 91 are international students. Nearly 50 percent of the school’s students are Hispanic, Frontanes said. The diverse student population contributes to the success of ESOL programs like Reading Together and Imagine Learning, which are funded by the federal program Title III to assist and benefit ESOL students.

Reading Together is a cross-grade-level instructional program in which fourth and fifth grade ESOL students tutor second grade ESOL students, teaching them reading comprehension and reading fluency. The student

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## Greenbelt Residents Manage Medical Marijuana Dispensary

by Matt Arbach

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Married couple and Greenbelt residents for 25 years James Riordon and Martha Heil are part of the public face of AltPharm, a licensed local dispensary for medical marijuana (cannabis). Maryland legalized medical marijuana in 2012 and there are now nearly 100 dispensaries established in the state, 70 of which are operational. Riordon and Heil set up a booth at the Green-

belt Farmers Market on November 4 to spread the word about their product and to aid those interested in getting an account in the online registration system.

AltPharm opened in April 2018 and is in Suitland, a location that provides easy access to the Beltway and Metro’s Green Line. Heil was pleased to share what she referred to as the “exciting medical landscape” of their product that she pointed out has “a myriad of ways to use.” AltPharm was created by James Patrick Riordon, Riordon’s

son, and Marguerite Santos. It currently employs 10 people but expects to increase its staffing and hours. Riordon is aiming to get the word out and to add to its growing register of patients.

At their market booth, Riordon and Heil used a laptop to help those interested begin the application process with the Maryland Medical Cannabis Commission (MMCC). Qualifying disorders include cachexia, anorexia, glaucoma, various types of pain,

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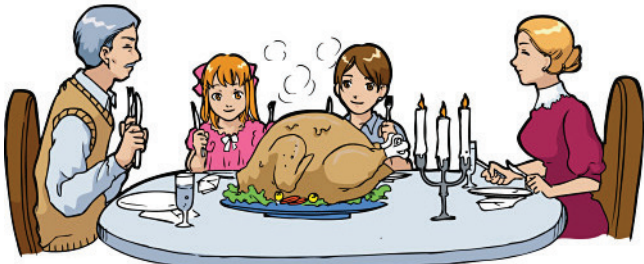
Turning Point Academy Principal Rhonda Clomax. See story about Turning Point on page 6.

## What Goes On

**Thursday, November 22**  
9 a.m. Gobble Wobble Family Fun Run & Walk, Youth Center (Registration starts at 8 a.m.)  
**Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23**  
City Offices Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday  
**Monday, November 26**  
8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building  
**Tuesday, November 27**  
3:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, Community Center  
7:30 p.m. GreenACES/Green Team, Community Center  
**Wednesday, November 28**  
8 p.m. Council Worksession re: Recreation Master Plan, Community Center



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Happy Thanksgiving from  
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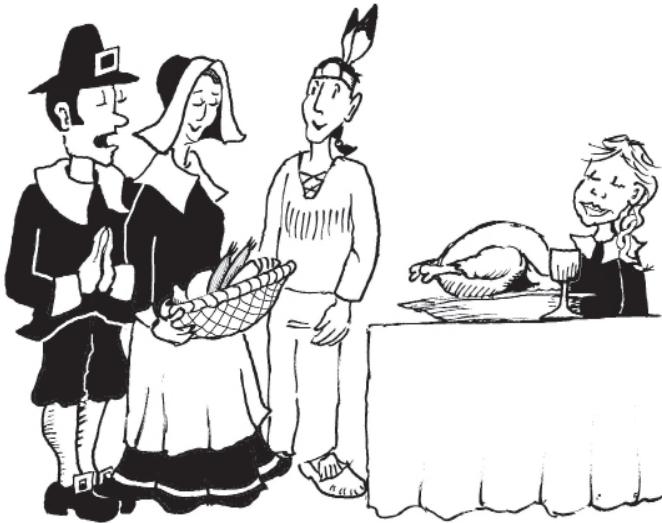
Last week’s article on Magnolia Elementary School should have stated that uniforms for students in grade five and lower are yellow polos with navy blue slacks or skirt.

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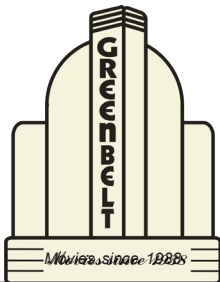


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Fall foliage on Hanover Parkway

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Mon. 2:15 PM  
Tues. 2:15 PM  
Wed. 5:30 PM  
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Sun. 2:15 PM (OC)  
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On Screen

With vacation, there is time for movies. The Old Greenbelt Theatre features three recently released movies this week.

Tea with Dames

Dame Judi Dench, Dame Maggie Smith, Dame Eileen Atkins, and Dame Joan Plowright. When four aging super-stars of the stage and screen get together for a weekend, the audience hears about inauspicious beginnings, husbands both on stage and off, favorite and less-than favorite roles, actors who couldn’t keep their hands to themselves, and song. Directed by Roger Michell, the documentary is filmed while the friends stay at Plowright’s country estate.  
NR 94 minutes

The Happy Prince

In Rupert Everett’s directing debut, Oscar Wilde’s life is laid bare as Wilde (played by Everett) lies dying on a bed in a cheap hotel in Paris and wonders if his life was worth the costs. Well feted for his plays that packed theaters in the late 1800s, Wilde was known for an ironic, acerbic, intellectual wit. In 1895, Wilde was convicted of “gross indecency” — that is, having an affair with a man. He was sentenced to two years hard labor, and died, alone three years after his release. (He was pardoned posthumously as were 50,000 others in 2017.) In this biography-style film, Wilde examines the writing, the plays, the wit, and above all the love which measures the worth of them all. The movie features his wife Constance (Emily Watson), and friends (Colin Firth), and Robbie Ross (Edwin Thomas).  
Rated R for sexual content, nudity, drug use  
105 minutes

A Star is Born

In this fourth remake of the 1937 film, Bradley Cooper directs and stars as the hard-drinking aging star who falls in love with a promising young performer (Lady Gaga) and pushes her career, even as his own shows are waning in popularity. The show features plenty of music by both artists.  
Rated R for language and sexual content  
135 minutes

- Amy Hansen



# Community Events

## New Deal Café Events

Thursday, November 22, the café is closed for the holiday.

Friday, November 23: 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Jennifer Cooper & GroovSpan. Beautiful vocals from a former professional opera singer, and tight melodies from the band. From Duke Ellington to Doobie Brothers, Antonio Jobim to Adele, Bill Withers to Blondie, this eclectic ensemble covers a wide variety of genres, decades, styles and grooves of popular music.

Saturday, November 24: 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Proverbs Reggae Band. A positive, unique rootz reggae band utilizing strong lyrical content and musical expression to promote ancient wisdom through the art of music.

Sunday, November 25: 7 to 9 p.m. Letitia VanSant, hailed as one of Baltimore’s strongest songwriters (BmoreArt) and by BBC Radio as “a fascinating new artist.” Her lyrics are considered at once personally and politically relevant. Her distinct voice is fortified by sparse indie folk and Americana arrangements from an all-star band: upright bassist Alex Lacquement, drummer EJ Shaull-Thompson and guitarist David McKindley-Ward.

Tuesday, November 27: 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The Reilly Goulait Band takes the cafe stage with a blend of originals and popular acoustic folk and rock of the 60s through today.

Wednesday, November 28: 7 to 9:30 p.m. The Campfire Sessions is a monthly “listening room” showcasing local songwriters with something to say. Brief Q&A follows each performance. Hosted by Joe Harris.

Thursday, November 29: 7 to 10 p.m. Open Mic with Tom Gleason. Café open mic nights are great for any level of musician. A casual welcoming environment to perform.

Friday, November 30: 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Ruthie and the Wranglers, winners of 30 WAMMIES play American roots rock, original Americana country and surf instrumentals.

Saturday, December 1: 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. The Linwood Taylor Band, one of the most highly respected names in the Blues Community with touring credits throughout the U.S. and Europe. With a style in the vein of Muddy Waters, Albert King and Hendrix, his résumé includes appearances with Joe Louis Walker, Skip Castro, Devon Allman, Albert King and Tommy Castro

Sunday, December 2: 7 to 9 p.m. Eleanor’s New Deal Cabaret brings drag performer D’Manda Martini as host of an ensemble cast of cabaret performers for a night of show tunes that bring Broadway to the Beltway.

Tuesday, December 4: 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tornado Rose is an Americana band playing a sexy, upbeat mix of acoustic ballads with an old-time bluegrass feel. Backed by the angelic autoharp, upright bass and guitar.

Wednesday, December 5: 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Bele Bele Rhythm Collective, an inter-generational, diverse group of women drummers performing West African polyrhythms on dun duns and djembes. Opening set by singer/songwriter/poet Ayanna Gallant and Kristen Arant.

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of November 26 are as follows:

Monday, November 26: Meatloaf with gravy, buttermilk potatoes, Brussels sprouts, wheat bread, fresh fruit, apple juice.

Tuesday, November 27: Glazed ham, macaroni and cheese, spinach, dinner roll, mandarin oranges, cranberry juice.

Wednesday, November 28: Hamburger, sliced cheese, baked beans, apple raisin compote, carrot raisin salad, wheat hamburger bun, orange juice.

Thursday, November 29: Cranberry Dijon chicken, rosemary potatoes, cabbage, wheat roll, pineapple tidbits, grape juice.

Friday, November 30: Cream of tomato soup, stuffed salmon with Newburg sauce, confetti rice, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, fluffy fruit salad, orange juice.

## GHI Notes

Thursday, November 22, office closed for Thanksgiving Day. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011

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Monday, November 26, 7 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room

Tuesday, November 27, 7 p.m., Communications Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby; 7 p.m., Executive Session Meeting, Board Room

Wednesday, November 28, 7 p.m., Building Committee Meeting, Board Room

Thursday, November 29, 7 p.m., GDC Strategic Planning Review Continuation, Board Room

Friday, November 30, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011

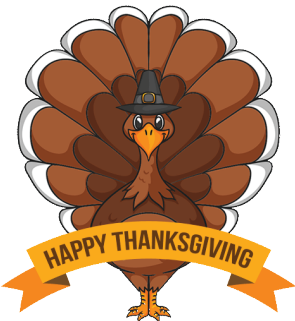
## At the Museum

Deco the Halls. On November 30 from 7 to 9 p.m., immediately after the city’s tree lighting, visit the museum’s historic house at 10-B Crescent to see an exhibit of Art Deco and vintage holiday decorations. Take a quick free tour of the house, get a sense of how the holidays were celebrated in the 30s and 40s, and see how the house sparkles and glows at night. Then peruse the gift shop, freshly stocked with new holiday merchandise including a new holiday card, books, vintage-inspired toys, paper dolls, Mother and Child mugs, dish towels, coasters and more. For more information, call 301-507-6582 or visit [greenbeltmuseum.org](http://greenbeltmuseum.org).

Museum merchandise will also be on sale at the Festival of Lights Juried Art and Craft Fair, December 1 and 2, in Room 114 of the Community Center.

Holiday Twilight Tour. On December 16 at 5 p.m. learn about Greenbelt holiday traditions and view decorations from the pedestrian footpaths near the museum house. Enjoy homemade gingerbread and cider after the tour. The gift shop will also be open. There is a fee. Bring the whole family or group. More information at [greenbeltmuseum.org](http://greenbeltmuseum.org), email [education@greenbeltmuseum.org](mailto:education@greenbeltmuseum.org) or call 240-542-2064.

Holiday schedule. The museum house will be closed on the Sunday following Thanksgiving, November 25, and the Sunday following Christmas, December 30. The house will be open by appointment only through the month of January. To schedule a visit that month, email [education@greenbeltmuseum.org](mailto:education@greenbeltmuseum.org) or call 240-542-2064.



## ERHS Artwork On View At GAC

The Greenbelt Arts Center is currently hosting an exhibit of artwork by art class students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Seventeen outstanding pieces of art, gathered by art teacher Christine Wilkin and other members of the ERHS art department staff, are on display in the GAC lobby during the run of the rock musical The Toxic Avenger, sporting titles such as Saturnalia, Jack and the Box, Midnight Flame, Blood Myrtle, Cold Reminiscence and Lord Goat Man. The intricacy and finish of the wonderfully creative works – which encompass a wide variety of artistic media, including water colors, ink, collage and photography – clearly show that the student artists invested a great deal of time and effort in producing them.

The exhibit will be on display through late November. GAC’s handicapped-accessible lobby is open to the public for viewing the free art exhibit (from 7 to 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and from 1 to 2 p.m. Sundays). Persons wishing to view the exhibit at another time should call Gallery Manager Linda Thompson at 301-552-3964 to make arrangements.



## Thoughtful Discussion At MakerSpace

“’Tis better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all.” Is that true? Do the benefits of the one-time love outweigh the pain of the loss? The thoughtful discussion group that meets at the MakerSpace on Tuesdays will bring their hearts and minds to bear on the question of lost love on November 27 from 7 to 9 p.m. All who wish to explore that topic are welcome to share their thoughts and cheerful banter.

## Craft Fair Saturday At the Legion

Anyone looking for a unique gift item may very well find it at the American Legion Auxiliary’s Craft Fair on Saturday, November 24 – Small Business Saturday. Over 30 vendors will offer mainly handcrafted items for gifts, decorations or a personal special treat. Of course there will be jewelry as well as scarves, soaps, fudge, ornaments, children’s books (two authors will be present), table decorations and wreaths.

The fair will be in the main hall of American Legion Post 136 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be door prizes every 15 or 20 minutes, a Chinese auction and light refreshments on sale. There is no admission charge. Come on up, avoid the shopping center crowds, browse for that perfect gift, have a snack and maybe win a door prize.

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# Greenbelt Scientist Inducted



Long-time Greenbelt resident and scientist at Goddard Space Flight Center, Claire Parkinson, a world renowned expert on sea ice and arctic climate change, signs the membership book of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences at a formal induction on October 6.

PHOTO COURTESY OF CLAIRE PARKINSON



Lovely autumn leaves along the Lake

PHOTO BY KATHRYN BEARD

# A Family's Story Postscript to the Kristallnacht Remembrance Service

by Eva Choper

*Ed note: This article was written in response to a talk given at Mishkan Torah Synagogue on November 9 and 10.*

In 1930 my parents were living separately in Berlin, Germany, under the Weimar Republic. They had separate jobs and had met in Vienna, Austria. Dad had an avid hobby of photography and was a chemist for what is today BASF, then part of IG Farben. Mother was a secretary in a company that had international clients. She was fluent in French, German, English and Esperanto, a language designed for international business used in the late 19th and early 20th century. It was a time when Germany was experiencing wild runaway inflation that was destroying peoples' savings, forcing many people into poverty.

In 1932, Hitler and his National Socialist Party (Nazis) won a plurality in the Reichstag and was asked by the German president to form a government. Hitler was sworn in as chancellor on January 30, 1933.

On February 27, 1933, the building where the parliament met, the Reichstag, was destroyed by a suspicious fire. Hitler announced that the fire was set by Jewish communists. Within a few hours a riot occurred in which most Jewish-owned stores in Berlin were destroyed, an eerie foreshadowing of Kristallnacht five years later.

Dad documented those riots with his camera, and was momentarily arrested by the Gestapo, who took his camera and his Austrian passport. The Austrian Embassy replaced his passport, and the Gestapo returned his camera – without the film. He also wrote a photo diary of the three years, 1930 to 1933, which I donated to the National Holocaust Museum.

While at work during the following weeks, Dad's apartment was rifled twice by the Gestapo. The Austrian Embassy replaced a second passport. But when asked to replace a third passport, Dad was told by the Ambassador, "Tonight you go to sleep in Vienna."

Dad took the advice. But before he left Berlin, Dad applied for a job transfer within IG Farben to any other European site within the company. Mother agreed that it was dangerous to remain in Berlin, but since the Gestapo did not know about her, she packed up Dad's personal items and her items and joined Dad in Vienna.



Condolences to the family and friends of News Review staffer Jennifer Robinson, who died on Tuesday, November 20 after fighting a brain tumor for many years.

Congratulations to Claire Parkinson, who was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences on October 6.

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to [editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com](mailto:editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com).



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**Sunday School 10:30 a.m.**  
**Church Service 10:30 a.m.**  
**Wednesday meeting 7:30 p.m.**





**At the Library**  
Teen Advisory Board. Monday, November 26, 4 p.m., ages 13 to 18, limit 15 participants. Volunteer and work together to make the library a better place for teens by talking about books, music, movies and suggesting what would be good to add to the collection. Registration required; contact the branch either in person or by calling 301-345-5800. Prince George’s County Public School student participants may earn Service Learning hours. TAB meets weekly on Monday afternoons.

Monthly Storytime. Monday, November 26, Books at Bedtime, presented by the Prince George’s County Infants and Toddlers Program, 6:30 p.m., for ages newborn to 3, limit 20 people. Stop by the Information Desk to pick up free tickets on the day of the event. This special storytime will continue monthly through Monday, May 20.


Weekly Ready 2 Read Storytimes. Tuesday, November 27, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 30 people. Wednesday, November 28, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s), ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 30 people. Thursday, November 29, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 4:15 p.m., limit 30 people.

Encourage children to make reading a positive experience by bringing them to the library’s storytimes. Each program contains a mixture of engaging activities and age-appropriate stories that support early literacy. Stop by the Information Desk immediately prior to each session to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis.

STEM-tastic: Brain Flakes. Wednesday, November 28, 4:30 p.m., ages 5 to 12. Become a mad scientist by conducting hands-on, fun science experiments using basic scientific principles. Come build with Brain Flakes, complete challenges and get creative. No registration required.

French Conversation Club, Thursday, November 29, 5 p.m. Learning to speak French? Join this club and practice speaking French in a friendly atmosphere. This club will be on hiatus after November 29 until February 2019.

Dance Showcase, Saturday, December 1, 3 p.m., ages 5 to 12. The Ballet Academy/Performing Arts Repertory Company presents ballet variations from Nutcracker, Swan Lake, Raymonda, Sleeping Beauty and La Bayadere, plus jazz, character and contemporary dances. No registration required.



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**Bariatric Surgery Lecture at Doctors**  
A free lecture on bariatric surgery and weight loss, by Dr. Hitesh Amin, medical director of the Bariatric and Weight Loss Center at Doctors Hospital, will be held on Friday, November 30 from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in the Professional Office Building, Suite 210. Registration is required.



**Gingerbread House Contest This Friday**  
The 19th Annual Gingerbread House Contest and Show will be held on Friday, November 23 from noon to 5 p.m. at Darnall’s Chance House Museum in Upper Marlboro.  
Come and view an amazing display of edible gingerbread houses. Visitors will have the opportunity to vote in the Viewer’s Choice Competition.  
Call 301-952-8010, TTY 301-699-2544 for more information. There is a small fee.

**Raptors Reign At Refuge**  
On Saturday, November 24 from 1 to 3 p.m. join special guest and licensed falconer Rodney Stotts at the Patuxent Research Refuge, as he shares the power of nature through discussions and up close encounters with birds of prey.  
Public programs at the refuge are free, although advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887. For more information visit fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent.

**MilkBoy ArtHouse Offers Free Concert**  
Lydia Consilvio will give a free concert, Seasons of the Heart, on Wednesday, November 28 at the MilkBoy ArtHouse in downtown College Park.  
Featured artist of the Terrapin record label, oboist and singer/songwriter Consilvio presents original pop/folk tunes with classical instrumentation. The program features songs from her upcoming album.



# City Information & Events

**GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING**  
**Municipal Building, Monday, November 26, 2018, 8:00 p.m.**

**ORGANIZATION**  
Call to Order  
Roll Call  
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag  
Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by \*] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)  
Approval of Agenda and Additions

**COMMUNICATIONS**  
**Presentations**  
- Hanover Parkway and East Greenbelt Bicycling Improvements  
- National League of Cities Conference Youth Advisory Committee Report

**Petitions and Requests**  
*(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)*

**Minutes of Council Meeting**  
**Administrative Reports**  
**Committee Reports**  
- \* Board of Elections Report #18-1, (Recommendation to Amend Chapter 8 “Elections” Section of the City Code)  
- Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) Report 2018-2 (Community Pledge)

**LEGISLATION**  
- An Ordinance to Amend Article I “In General” and Article II “Campaign Contributions and Expenditures” of Chapter 8, “Elections” of the Greenbelt City Code - 1st Reading  
- A Resolution of the City of Greenbelt Adopted Pursuant to the Authority of Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland and Section 13 of Article 23a of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1957 Edition as Amended), Title, “Corporation-Municipal,” Subtitle “Home Rule” to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt Found, in Whole or in Part, in the Compilation of Municipal Charters of Maryland (1983 Edition as Amended), as Prepared by the Department of Legislative Reference Pursuant to Chapter 77 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1983, by Repealing and Reenacting with Amendments Section 16(a), Titled “Appointments” to Expand the Number of Members (Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2018-1) - 1st Reading  
- An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 18 of the Greenbelt City Code to add a section “Telecommunications Facilities in Public Rights-of-Way,” to provide for certain standards and regulations Relating to the Location of Telecommunications Towers, Antennas, and Other Structures Within the City’s Public Rights-Of-Ways, Consistent with Federal and State Law. ) - 1st Reading


**OTHER BUSINESS**  
- Community Pledge Update  
- 2019 Legislative Program  
-\*Employee Special Holiday  
-\*Internet in the Community Center  
- Council Activities  
- Council Reports

**SCHEDULING OF FUTURE MEETINGS**  
*NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.*

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2018 GOBBLE WOBBLE



**Date: Thursday, November 22**  
**Time: 9:00AM**  
*Race-day registration begins at 8:00am.*

**Location: Greenbelt Youth Center**





**Entry Fees**  
• Pre-registration  
• Individual - \$15  
• Family 4-pack - \$50  
• Day of Race  
• Individual - \$20  
• Family 4-pack - \$70

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- Medals for youth participants.

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## SAFE DATES

A Teen Dating Abuse Prevention Curriculum  
**Ages 14 – 17**  
**Monday, November 26 – Monday, December 17**  
**4 sessions, 5:00 – 6:15 pm**  
**Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway**

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- Learn positive communication skills to develop healthy and respectful dating relationships

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**MEETINGS FOR NOVEMBER 26-NOVEMBER 30**  
Monday, November 26 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996, and streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv)*

Tuesday, November 27 at 3:30pm, **SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd.

Tuesday, November 27 at 7:30pm, **GREEN ACES/GREEN TEAM** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, November 28 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Recreation Master Plan** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

**The schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.**

Greenbelt Festival of Lights begins on Friday, November 30 with the Community Tree Lighting, Deco the Halls, Juried Art and Craft Festival, the Farmers Market Holiday Market, the GEAC Tree Lighting, and Pancake Breakfast all happening that weekend.

**SEE FULL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS ON THE BACK PAGE OF THIS ISSUE OF THE GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW!**



# Turning Point PARCC Scores; Search for New Location

by Matt Arbach



Turning Point Academy currently shares a building with Trinity Assembly of God church.

A visitor to Turning Point Academy (TPA) is greeted in the school foyer by a placard affirming the five words that encapsulate the school's character-driven mandate: courage, concern, curiosity, integrity and leadership. In the busy hallways, students in maroon and gray stand eagerly in line for their next class, radiating joy and a sense of family.

Currently, TPA serves a total of 594 students, kindergarten through 8th grade. The proportion of male to female students is nearly equal and 71 percent of the students are part of the Free and Reduced Student Meals (FARM) program. Second and fourth grades comprise the two largest classes, 76 and 73 students, respectively, and African-

American students comprise 89 percent of the student body.

Among the staff, 83 percent are designated as highly qualified with over 50 percent possessing advanced professional certificates. This year TPA welcomed seven new teachers, three of whom are first-time educators.

Principal Rhonda Clomax stated that her students are really performing well. She was particularly proud of the high number of FARM students that have achieved success as shown by their test results. TPA pupils in several grades outperformed county and state scores in Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) math and English.

TPA shares their building with

Trinity Assembly of God church. A survey will be sent out very soon to parents and staff to ascertain their feelings about a possible move to a location in Temple Hills. Currently, there is a search for a new facility that would allow TPA to add grades 9 through 12.

Clomax said that she is optimistic about the future, in which a new and more spacious location would play an important part.

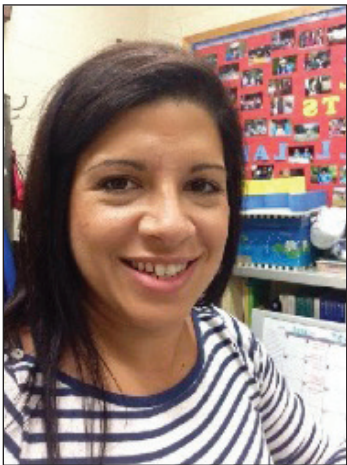
TPA recently received a one-year charter extension from the county board of education.

Future goals include raising student math scores, increasing parental involvement and deepening their Hyde Culture mandate, which emphasizes character development.

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tutors, who are selected based on their test scores, arrive at 7 a.m., 30 minutes before their normal arrival time on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, to plan their lessons. "They're like little teachers," Frontanes said.

For an hour and 20 minutes after school, student tutors implement their lessons to the ESOL second graders, also known as tutees, who are struggling to read. "They can decode, but they're not able to comprehend," Frontanes said. Because they are seeing the program for a second time, the fourth and fifth grade tutors also improve their reading scores in the state PARCC exams, Frontanes shared. There are currently 14 student tutors and 12 tutees in the program, which has been running for over 15 years at the school.



ESOL teacher Maria Frontanes

Imagine Learning is a more recent addition to the school, implemented only two years ago. Students new to the country with limited English proficiency are selected to participate in the program, which is currently offered to 24 students from grades 1 through 5. Through reading and phonics, students are able to improve their communication skills and fluency.

Although Imagine Learning

students convenes only twice a week after school, students are able to access the program anytime during the day. To the extent that students may need additional support, "teachers are able to use it as a resource," Frontanes said. "Naturally, ESOL teachers see a lot of growth in the students who use Imagine Learning on a consistent basis," Frontanes added.

"There are great things always happening here," Frontanes said about the various programs offered by Springhill Lake Elementary. "The kids have a lot of opportunities to be in something, instead of just going home."



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man's life. "We try to plant seeds into the boys about life challenges. We don't judge, and offer them opportunities to share about different aspects of growing up in the age that they are," explained mentor Sylvester Hodge. Hodge, a retired military officer, has been in the organization for three years and recognizes the opportunity for growth in young men who are in the organization. "We cover bullying, hygiene, family issues and any life challenges. Our circles are confidential and we can talk about anything," he said.

On November 11, a meeting of the Boys to Men of Greater Washington took place at Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Heron learned a lot at the meeting. "I learned that there are lot of people in the world that can show you different experiences in life," he said. Throughout the meeting young men between the ages of 14 and 17 talked about the different stages in their lives. Some were excelling in school, others thrived in sports. But one key point stood out for all of them: they had no father figure in their lives.

Mentor Alex Rounds, who has participated with the organization for seven years, saw the lack of male role models as a key point to cover. "I could see for some boys that it's not easy to open up. I was also saddened to see how many didn't have men in their lives that they could open up to or trust," Rounds said. He stressed that it was important that the senior mentors explain to the younger men that the experiences they are going through are common, and that it is easier to experience them with someone who has been there before.

By meeting's end, the mentors' goal was for everyone to have learned something from other participants. The mentors' hope is that each young man will be able to trust and open up about what is going on in their lives and that they will feel comfortable to reach out and pass on their teaching to younger men as well. "I think the more comfortable we get, the easier the questions will come out," said Rounds.

For more information visit [boystomengw.org](http://boystomengw.org).

# Greenbelt Middle Tries New Initiatives to Engage Students

by Nora Eckert



Buses arrive at Greenbelt Middle School.

New initiatives at Greenbelt Middle School are enabling students to learn math through dance, take biology for high school credit and improve their PSAT and PARCC scores.

Principal Dr. Daria Valentine explains that the arts integration program is one of the most exciting recent additions to Greenbelt Middle School. This instructional method, which incorporates the arts in all disciplines, engages students who she says "are interested in developing their education through an artistic lens." Valentine believes this will create a more well-rounded curriculum for students.

She describes one example of how math teachers have integrated the arts into a traditional lesson. Students are tasked with solving a math problem to figure out the next dance move in a sequence. Once they have completed all the problems correctly, they have a complete line dance routine.

The school also added a biology course that can be taken for high school credit. Valentine is especially excited for this new addition to the curriculum, as she was a biology major in her undergraduate career.

The Middle School also continues to focus on improving its students' PARCC and PSAT

scores through adding extended learning opportunities for students who need to strengthen their math and learning skills. Valentine says the school did see an increase in student scores on these tests last year, and hopes to continue this upward trend to meet district benchmarks.

Valentine says these initiatives could not be as effective without the support of a great team. "The success you see here at Greenbelt Middle School has everything to do with the staff and the work they put in to make sure our students succeed or have what they need to succeed. I'm really proud to be a part of that team."

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# City Opens Exhibit of Posters From Federal Theatre Shows

by Adam Glass

More than 45 people heard Christopher Cherry, Greenbelt performing arts coordinator, describe the history of the Depression-era Federal Theatre Project and its significance to Greenbelt at a slide show and multimedia lecture Sunday afternoon at the Community Center.

The lecture was part of a dedication ceremony for a new permanent exhibit of poster art for Federal Theatre Project shows, including the four principal productions in each year of the project's four-year run from 1935 to 1939: Macbeth (with an all-black cast); Sinclair Lewis's play about a fascist takeover of America, It Can't Happen Here; One-Third of a Nation, about slum housing; and a satirical revue, Sing for Your Supper.

Posters for these shows and four others have been carefully hung in an alcove adjacent to Cherry's office in the Community Center to commemorate the project.

Greenbelt vocalist Aidan Larkin sang two songs from project shows: The TVA Song, accompanying himself on the guitar, and Leaning on a Shovel, accompanied by Stefan Brodd on the piano. The audience was also treated to a recording of Paul Robeson singing on CBS radio a 1930s paean to diversity, Ballad for Uncle Sam/Ballad for America, with its powerful lyric, "I'm everybody who's nobody."

The slide show was enlivened with photographs of Rexford Guy Tugwell, of the Resettlement Administration, in his trademark white suit visiting Greenbelt when it was under construction, and President Franklin Roosevelt admiring several of the bass with which Greenbelt Lake had been stocked. The president was an avid fisherman.

Other highlights included photos of Burt Lancaster as a young acrobat in the Federal Theatre Project doing a handstand on parallel bars and heiress Evalyn Walsh McLean wearing the Hope Diamond. McLean leased two mansions to the federal government during the Depression. One housed the headquarters of the Federal Theatre Project and the office where Greenbelt was planned was located in the other.

Cherry didn't whitewash the sharp-elbowed politics of the 1930s. The Roosevelt administration had planned to build Greenbelt-style planned communities across the nation, but the Supreme Court upheld a federal appeals court finding that the towns were unconstitutional, and only three were built, Cherry said. The all-black casting of Macbeth created career-launching opportunities for black actors, but the avowed racist, red-baiting chairman of the House Un-American Activities Committee, Martin Dies Jr., used it to create opposition to the project among his reactionary colleagues. Similarly, the revue Sing for Your Supper played to sold-out crowds in New York, but Dies and his allies put their focus on the fact that black and white actors danced with each other in the musical numbers. They didn't like that the project gave equal pay to blacks and whites, or what they saw as



Tim and Terry Murray stand on either side of Chris Cherry in the city's new Federal Theatre Project exhibit in the Community Center.

- Photos by Rebekah Sutfin



The cake for the opening of the new exhibit mirrored the style of the posters used in the exhibit.

communist influence in the selection of plays. On June 30, 1939 they succeeded in terminating the funding of the project, over Roosevelt's vehement protests, Cherry said.

After the slide show, Mayor Emmett Jordan commented on the tremendous energy and rigor that Cherry brought to his lecture, and called it typical of Cherry's contributions to Greenbelt.

Speaking of Cherry's role in the multi-faceted 18-month Greenbelt Legacy 80th Anniversary celebration, which comes to a close in December, Councilmember Judith Davis said, "If he hadn't put in all the effort and done the research, most of these events wouldn't have happened." She hailed Cherry's ingenuity in taking a small, unremarkable space, unadorned for decades, and turning it into a museum-quality tribute to the Federal Theatre Project.

Melissa Mackey, a Greenbelt resident who attended the ceremony with her adult daughter, Adrienne Peters, said she was there out of respect for Cherry.

"He's just so loved and respected in the community," she said. Mackey praised Cherry for the talent he brought to the many youth musicals he has produced in his decades-long tenure. They were so professional, she said, because he treated the young actors as serious artists. Peters recalled her role as Penelope's maid in Homeward Bound, a youth musical adapted from Homer's Odyssey. "I had a solo!" Peters said.

Tim Murray, the youngest child of Theodora Murray, the founder in 1938 of the Greenbelt Players, Greenbelt's first theater company, cut the ribbon to open the exhibit after the lecture, with his older brother Terry Murray standing by. The crowd then adjourned for refreshments, including cakes decorated for the Greenbelt Players and the Federal Theatre Project.



# City Council Discusses Security, Other Business

by Ian Round

Greenbelt City Council spent much of its less than two-hour November 13 meeting discussing a \$500 grant to Mishkan Torah suggested by Councilmember Colin Byrd in the aftermath of the mass shooting last month at a synagogue in Pittsburgh. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Byrd said the recent increase in anti-semitic hate crimes necessitated the grant, and that it would symbolize council's support for the Jewish community.

"Anti-semitism is on a particular uptick," said Aileen Kroll, a member of Mishkan Torah who spoke in favor of the grant. "On Saturday, the last place I wanted to go was Mishkan Torah because I didn't feel safe."

"I am supportive of the idea but I think this is a little premature," said Councilmember Leta Mach. "I think we need to talk to all of our religious groups . . . and find out what they feel they need before we go ahead and jump forward with a solution."

Councilmember Silke Pope said she hoped for a more "comprehensive," citywide response to improve security. "\$500 is not a lot of money for security upgrades," she said.

Councilmember Judith Davis noted followers of many religions have been affected by mass shootings. Councilmember Edward Putens said the separation of church and state could make the grant "messy."

**Other Business**

Council accepted reports from the Board of Elections and the Community Relations Advisory Board and will consider them at the next meeting on November 26.

Council also appointed or reappointed three people to advisory groups. Michael Lee was reappointed to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Warren Wilcox was appointed to the Senior Citizens Advisory Board and Efrat Levner was appointed to the Arts Advisory Board.



Red-shouldered hawk

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# Art and Craft Fair Showcases Local Artists, Non-Profits

by Anne Gardner

The Greenbelt Recreation Department Arts Program's 2018 Festival of Lights Juried Art and Craft Fair promises an impressive array of handmade wares by local artisans, plus a hands-on workshop, prize drawing, live music, open studios and more. This free event takes place at the Community Center on Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Art and Craft Fair will showcase the talents of about 75 regional artists, artisans and authors. Visitors will find beautiful and useful gifts for all occasions. A wide selection of functional pottery and ceramic art will be presented by the Center's Artists in Residence, instructors, Greenbelt Pottery Group members (GPG) and other participants in the Recreation Department's robust ceramics program. GPG will host an in-studio sale on the third floor throughout the weekend as well as a booth in the gym. Additional wares will include clothing, accessories, jewelry, toys, paintings, photography, housewares, bath and body products, and books by Greenbelt Writers Group members and other local authors.

Roughly one third of the exhibitors participating this year will be new to the fair. Among the highlights, Sinha Devayani will offer handcrafted, locally sourced, made-in-season sauces, including strawberry preserves, tomato sauce, Jamaican jerk sauce and habanero hot sauce. Jerry Reynolds will have wood turnings made from local fallen trees, including bowls, vases, bangles, muddlers, ring holders and bottle stoppers. Vivien Lee of The Purple Kiln will offer kiln formed, handcrafted glass art and home décor, including centerpieces, bowls, plates, vases and other functional and decorative items. Local Greenbelt participants include Lauren Rankel of 42nd and Orange, with handmade children's clothes and baby items, and Leah and Dinah Cohen with upcycled mittens and knit hats, and linoleum and reduction prints.

Three non-profit organizations will enable shoppers to extend their holiday cheer to the broader community. Gift cards, memberships, mugs and T-shirts will be available from Friends of Greenbelt Theatre which operates the city's historic cinema in Roosevelt Center. Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, which sponsors free local history programs throughout the year, will offer a delightful array of wares with vintage flair in addition to Museum memberships. The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) will operate a café during all fair hours, with vegetarian options available; GAC is a black box community theater with an ambitious annual calendar of in-house and guest productions for audiences of all ages.

On Saturday, December 1, enjoy performances by Eleanor Roosevelt High School musical ensembles from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Also on Saturday, enter a drawing to win \$50 in Art Bucks to spend at the Art and Craft Fair by voting for your favorite artisan



Black locust bowl by Jerry Reynolds, one of the new vendors at this year's Festival of Lights Art and Craft Fair



Greenbelt residents Leah and Dinah Cohen will offer upcycled mittens and knit hats, such as these stripey mitts, at the Art and Craft Fair on December 1 and 2.

in each of the show's five rooms on the first and third floors. Entry forms will be available at the Recreation Department Arts Program table in the gymnasium, in front of the stage. The winner of the drawing will be contacted on Saturday evening and will have all day on Sunday to shop. Special activities on Sunday will include a free craft workshop from 1 to 3 p.m. in which guests can make decoupage crafts with Sally Davies. From 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., enjoy a lively klezmer concert with Seth Kibel and Friends. From 1 to 4 p.m., there will be a studio open house and sale with

the Community Center's Artists in Residence. Just a short walk from the Community Center, the Greenbelt Farmers Market will host their annual outdoor Holiday Market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Art and Craft Fair does not currently have any openings for additional vendors. Local artisans and authors are welcome to apply online for the show's waitlist. Application links are provided at [greenbeltnmd.gov/arts](http://greenbeltnmd.gov/arts). For additional arts program information, follow Greenbelt Recreation ARTS on Facebook or call 301-397-2208.

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## Lions, Legion Host Santa's Breakfast

The Greenbelt Lions Club annual Breakfast with Santa will be held at American Legion Post 136 on Saturday, December 1 from 8 to 11 a.m. This annual event raises funds to support local charities and community needs. Participants will enjoy pancakes, sausages, eggs, coffee, tea and orange juice. Donations will be taken at the door and children ages 10 and under are admitted free when accompanied by a paying adult. A picture with Santa can be taken for a nominal fee, and parents are also encouraged to bring their own cameras for a free picture with St. Nick.

The Greenbelt Lions Club is part of the largest service

organization in the world, Lions Club International. There are over 1.4 million men and women around the world who believe kindness matters. Lions make a difference every day, everywhere.

Greenbelt Lions spend their time in the community participating in health fairs, blood drives, hearing and vision screenings, White Cane Days, a variety of community service drives (including clothing, food, toys and back-to-school supplies), gift wrapping, Community Partnering Programs, Camp Merrick and more. Where there is a need, there is a Lion. For more information call 301-474-8964.



The annual Breakfast with Santa will be held on Saturday, December 1.



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# OA Welcomes New Members In 12-Step Path to Recovery

by Theresa Diffendal

Do you eat when you're not hungry, to the point of feeling sick? Do you spend too much time thinking about food, arguing with yourself about whether or what to eat? Are your eating behaviors affecting your health or the way you live your life?

No matter what your problem with food, you are not alone.

That is the primary message of Overeaters Anonymous (OA), a 12-step program for individuals who want to learn how to live without compulsive overeating or other compulsive food behaviors including under-eating, food addiction, anorexia, bulimia or over-exercising.

Individuals often come to OA thinking their issues with food stem from a lack of willpower, but OA members such as Dave, a regular meeting attendee who has battled both overeating and daily binge and purge cycles, would sooner compare compulsive eating to an addiction. He says: "In each case the addict cannot stop himself or herself from reaching for their substance of choice."

OA's Twelve Steps, modeled from those of Alcoholics Anonymous, are designed to dismantle the willpower narrative from the first step, which involves admitting one is "powerless over food."

With the National Association of Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders reporting that overeating affects almost 3 percent of American adults in their lifetime, OA and its members consistently ask themselves, "how do we still reach the suffering overeater?"

In an effort to practice step 12 of the OA program, which calls members who have benefited from OA's program to spread the message to all who suffer from overeating, current OA members shared their experiences with food and compulsive overeating.

"It's like paying it forward, so to speak," said Thomas, a member of OA. For Thomas, his problems with food, particularly sugar, began practically "from birth." He continued, "this feeling of 'it's never enough:' it's sort of in-built."

There is no hierarchical structure in OA, so volunteers like Thomas take turns opening meetings and carrying out other duties to help others know OA exists. We met in a church basement before a weeknight meeting. The setting is simple, but it allows those who suffer from compulsive overeating to open up and receive support.

Though members would often mention their weights and the anxiety which stems from their body size, OA is not primarily about weight. "It is a disease," Thomas reiterated throughout the meeting. "It's not a moral problem or lack of willpower."

When members spoke, they would begin with their name and the statement, "I'm a compulsive eater," breaking the stigma around acknowledging the addiction.

"It's worth saying that I'm a compulsive overeater," said Larry, who turned to food as early as sixth grade as a way to deal with problems.

"I was killing myself with food," he said, before adding with a laugh, "I [was] cruising

for a heart attack, you know?"

But with OA, he's been able to turn things around. He attributes the change to OA's Twelve Steps, which provide him with a clear set of actions to take. The breakthrough, he said, was not in stopping overeating, but in learning how to deal with "life when it comes."

To achieve this, some of the steps have members turning their lives over to a "higher power" or "Power greater than ourselves." But members are quick to assure the program is not strictly religious; atheists and agnostics are members and encouraged to join.

"[Your higher power] can be a doorknob," said Peggy, a retired 69-year-old woman who has struggled with food since the age of 4. What it really means, she continued, is "you never have to do anything alone anymore." She offered her OA group as an example of a possible higher power, one that she used for many years.

And many do find the group to be a source of strength. OA's regular meetings offer an accepting, strictly anonymous space where individuals share their personal journeys without interruptions.

"When people share about their food issues and what they eat over, I think it helps," said Peggy. By connecting with the many others for whom food is a problem, individuals learn that overeating is not a personal failure or shortcoming but an addiction.

"For a lot of people, it's really hard to walk into this first meeting," said Laura, a member of OA for 30 years. But she emphasized the community she found when she continued attending, saying "we have been in the trenches together ... I care about them deeply, I want them to recover."

OA opens its doors to anyone who is seeking a solution to food-related behaviors. Being a member of OA requires no dues or fees, simply a desire to stop eating compulsively. "We don't strive for perfection here," said Thomas. "We just strive for progress."

OA meets Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at 101 Greenhill Road in a space provided by Greenbelt Baptist Church. OA has no affiliation with this or any church or other organization. OA invites anyone interested in learning more about the Overeaters Anonymous program to their newcomer orientation on Monday, November 26, at 7 p.m.

For information about other OA meetings in the greater Washington D.C. area, go to the local OA website: [oa-dcmetro.org/meetings/](http://oa-dcmetro.org/meetings/).

## Omer Quartet Performs at UMD

A Fellowship Ensemble Recital: Omer Quartet will be held on Thursday, November 29 at 8 p.m. in Gildenhorn Recital Hall of The Clarice.

Join the Omer Quartet for a free evening of inventive music. From classical to contemporary and in between, each of these composers is a trailblazer.



# The Greenbelt Connection: City-wide Affordable Mobility

by Jason Martin

There's a fancy new bus in town, the Greenbelt Connection, and it is owned by the City of Greenbelt, which has been providing affordable transportation to residents for 30 years. The Greenbelt Connection started in 1988 and continues to serve up to 140 residents a week. This service is exclusive to Greenbelt residents and allows them to travel to destinations within the city and to medical appointments within a five-mile radius of Greenbelt. The cost is an affordable \$1 for seniors, citizens with disabilities and children 6 to 18 years old. It costs \$2 for all other residents (each way). Children younger than 6 ride free.

Previous buses were leased from Prince George's County as part of the Call-A-Bus service in conjunction with the state-wide Transportation Assistance Program (TAP). In 2017, the leased bus became unavailable and since then the city has been borrowing a vehicle from the Town of Berwyn Heights. With no new buses or loaners available through the TAP program, the council approved the purchase of a new Greenbelt Connection vehicle in the FY 2019 budget. The sleek new 14-passenger, wheelchair-accessible van has been purchased and is now busy connecting people with the places they need to go.

Residents taking the Greenbelt Connection have the privilege of meeting one of the city's finest employees, Brian Allen. Allen has been with the Department of Public Works for 12 years and has been driving the Greenbelt Connection for the past three. Off bus duty, Allen is a pastor at Empower Place Fellowship in Capital Heights. When asked why he became a pastor, Allen said, "I love helping people more than anything else." He helps many seniors and citizens with disabilities get to the grocery store, doctor's office and everywhere in between. The city, public works



Brian Allen poses with the new Greenbelt Connection bus.

and all the residents who use the Greenbelt Connection appreciate his commitment to serving others. Allen looks forward to helping people and loves driving the bus daily.



For more information about the Connection, or to schedule a ride, call 301-474-4100.

Jason Martin is the environmental coordinator for the City of Greenbelt.






Bill Cornett enjoys kayaking on the Lake, earlier this month.

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# On Increasing Greenbelt’s Cooperative Cross Section

by Cathie Meetre

So, how does a patronage dividend on a funeral sound as a possibility for future cooperative growth? Sound farfetched? Not at all. Residents of the UK not only have the option of cooperative grocery stores and banks but can manage the funeral arrangements of their dearly departed via Cooperative Funeralcare. Co-op funerals account for over 16 percent of all UK funerals and costs are presented openly up front (See box). The one percent patronage dividend on the funeral goes to local community organizations rather than to the purchaser – the British, as always, exhibiting their national commitment to refined good taste. The UK’s Cooperative Funeralcare offers a Best Price Guarantee and will meet or beat the price of any competitor for the same funeral. Buying online also saves the equivalent of about \$125 and financing is easily arranged at one of over 1,000 establishments across the country.

Although workers and consumers have cooperated since the dawn of communal living to overcome adversity and harness group capabilities, the arrangement was generally informal and not enshrined in a set of written principles. Characteristically, neighbors banded together to purchase or harvest and share their resources and were usually workers rather than owners or the ruling class – the well-off didn’t need to share to survive.

In 1884 England, the Rochdale Equitable Pioneers met in the rapidly industrializing area of Lancashire to draft the principles on which cooperatives have since thrived. Although a few cooperatives founded prior to that still survive in the UK, these precursor stores also ultimately adopted the robust structure devised by the Rochdale group. The founding principles (which remain much the same today) were:

- Voluntary and open membership
- Democratic member control
- Member economic participation
- Autonomy and independence
- Education, training and information
- Cooperation among cooperatives

**Concern for Community**

Greenbelt may hold the record for the number of cooperatives per capita in a U.S. city. The concept took firm hold in the town, including the 1952 cooperative purchase of the original federal rental housing project built in 1937 – now Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Even today, the list of co-ops is impressive: the

grocery store, the credit union (yes, Virginia, this credit union is a cooperative), this newspaper, the nursery school, the New Deal Café, MakerSpace and of course, the supersized doyen of them all – Greenbelt Homes, Inc.

The Rochdale pioneers were motivated by the rigors of the industrial revolution. Britain, like a precocious child, had its industrial revolution early. It pioneered the wretched conditions that have characterized industrial revolutions around the globe since – and which remain a classic symptom of industrial development in third-world countries.

Although many factory owners cared not a hoot for the welfare of their workers, some early cooperative experiments were pioneered by wealthy industrialists who recognized the benefit to productivity of having workers who weren’t half-starved and ill. Robert Owen, a wealthy cotton manufacturer, floated a cooperative grocery store and encouraged his workers to acquire an education, grow their own food and become self-reliant and self-sustaining. Most co-ops, however, were started by workers themselves, despite the fact that obtaining capital, even when pooling resources, was an almost insuperable barrier to jump-starting a grocery store.

Each of the original 28 members of the Rochdale Pioneers contributed £1 sterling to capitalize their store and it took them four months to save the money. Even a skilled worker earned only about £1.50 (in 1844 terms) for a 10-hour-per-day, six-day work week. An unskilled laborer earned about £0.75 and for everybody, most of this was consumed by the expenses of their marginal standard of living. It’s hard to imagine how people working a 60-hour-a-week, physically-demanding job found the time and energy to organize a business. But they persisted and once workers realized it was possible, the movement snowballed and hundreds of stores opened within a few years, especially in the industrialized areas north of London.

While the cooperative movement flourished in the 19th and earlier 20th centuries, it took a beating in the second half of the 20th. In 1990s England, one of the largest cooperative groups was the battleground for a takeover by a commercial enterprise which correctly realized that members would be attracted by a cash buyout that offered mem-

bers their share of the proceeds. Membership had been decreasing, so while the patronage dividends were still small, the value of the business itself meant the value of a member’s ownership was high. The takeover ultimately failed amidst rancor and criminal conspiracy prosecutions against the co-op’s directors, but was the impetus for a reorganization and merging of cooperatives to form a stronger alliance for the future.

In the U.S., the cooperative movement came under fire in the early 1950s during the McCarthy era. The pioneers organizing the cooperative purchase of the federal project came under suspicion as communist sympathizers and were hounded for their vision.

But things have improved in both countries. Today in England, the blue and white co-op signs are everywhere (the logo design is similar to the U.S. version). Many convenience stores are little co-ops and most towns have larger grocery stores. As well as Funeralcare, there’s a Cooperative Bank. Like Greenbelt’s co-op grocery store, the UK’s co-ops track purchases and offer dividends to their members. And in Greenbelt, both newer and long-established cooperatives continue to keep the needs of their memberships front and center. In the U.S., a cooperative is no longer deemed ‘unAmerican’.

It is important, however, not to take the cooperative movement for granted. Successful co-ops need members to participate both as purchasers and in the administration and direction of the enterprise – but the results are a spectacular gain for all involved.

So, Greenbelt, who’s up for organizing a new cooperative funeral vendor?

**Cooperative Funeral Costs**

What price a cooperative funeral? The options can be found clearly explained on the web ([cooperativefuneralcare.co.uk](http://cooperativefuneralcare.co.uk)). The simplest (known as Cremation Without Ceremony) starts at £1,395 (about \$1,800) – there’s no service and the cremation is private. The classic option is a Simple Funeral and there are bronze, silver and gold plans with specific grades of coffin (standard, wood-grained and veneered) and move-up options like personal choice of funeral route, number of limousines and unlimited access to “the chapel of rest.” Add a £200 discount for members and it’s a deal that’s hard to beat.

**Korean Percussion Concert at UMD**

The Korean Percussion Ensemble presents a free concert on Monday, November 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Dekelbom Concert Hall of The Clarice.

Experience the vibrant beat of Samulnori. This modern incarnation of traditional Korean folk music celebrates harvest time and provides a lively soundtrack to dancing. The ensemble comprises four types of percussion instruments – an hourglass drum, a barrel drum, a small gong and a large gong. Each represents a natural element – wind, rain, clouds and lightning.

## Beltway Plaza Mall Honors Craig and Yolanda Muckle

by Adam Glass



A portrait of the Muckles is unveiled at the Beltway Plaza Wall of Fame.

Beltway Plaza inducted a high-profile Prince George’s County couple into the mall’s Wall of Fame on Friday, November 9 before an audience of more than 40 friends, well-wishers and guests.

Marc “Kap” Kapistan, general counsel of The Quantum Company and owner of the mall, presided over the ceremony inducting Craig Muckle and his wife Yolanda Muckle into the Wall of Fame.

The Wall of Fame, located in the hallway running from the parking lot of Beltway Plaza to TJ Maxx, houses 15 large-framed photos of past honorees, with plaques describing their accomplishments. The Wall commemorates local citizens who are distinguished for their public service or individual accomplishments. The mall has been presenting these awards for the past four years, Kapistan said. Past honorees include former Greenbelt mayor (and current councilmember) Judith Davis and retired Greenbelt chief of police James Caze.

Craig Muckle was feted for his charitable efforts on the Prince George’s County Chamber of Commerce, for fundraising for the Special Olympics and for his work as a basketball coach and referee. His career in

public relations began at ESPN, where he started as a driver, and later included work for the BET Network, Rite Aid, Safeway and the Archdiocese of Washington, Muckle said.

Accepting his award he said, “As a PR person I am used to making others look good.” He was comfortable in front of a microphone because of his public relations background, he said, but then added, “I’m uncomfortable talking about myself.”

Yolanda Muckle, a Baltimore native with a background in radio, television and public relations and currently a real estate broker, was praised for her ubiquitous marketing. Prince George’s County Councilmember Todd Turner, a presenter at the ceremony, noted that Muckle’s face was plastered on posters at bus stops. State Senator Douglas J.J. Peters, who also spoke, called her “an advertising machine, which you have to be in real estate.” He recalled checking out his groceries at Safeway, “and there’s Yolanda, on my divider!” She was praised for her work in historic preservation in Prince George’s County, among other public service efforts.

The night ended with the unveiling of a large color photo of the Muckles on the Wall of Fame.

### Montpelier Has Quilt Project Workshop

The Monument Quilt Project Workshop will be held on Wednesday, November 28 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Monument Quilt, a project organized by FORCE: Upsetting Rape Culture, is an ongoing collection of stories from survivors of rape and abuse. At the workshop, survivors and supporters will share their stories and workshop participants will create messages of support on 4’x4’ red quilt squares.

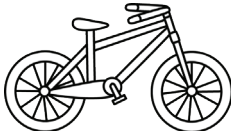
Completed quilt squares will join thousands more in city and town centers to create a public space of healing and conversation. The Monument Quilt will be displayed on the National Mall from May 31 to June 2, 2019.

All materials are provided and space is limited. Call 301-377-7800 to reserve a space in this free workshop.

### Enjoy Refuge North Tract by Bicycle

On Sunday, November 25 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. enjoy a fall bicycle ride at the Patuxent Refuge North Tract while experiencing the beauty of this natural area’s local wildlife, plants and historical sites. Learn the importance of reducing footprints and leaving no trace on this 12-mile guided bicycle ride. Bring a bike, snack, water bottle and helmet. Ride is weather dependent. This program is for ages 10 and older.

Public programs at the Patuxent Research Refuge are free, although advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887. The North Tract is located on Route 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197.



This sturdy brick building hailing from the 1600s lends dignity to one of over 1,000 cooperative funeral homes in Britain.



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speed of the SCMaglev technology to significantly reduce travel time in order to help meet the capacity and ridership needs of the Baltimore-Washington region.” The Alternatives Report’s purpose is to document the ongoing process of developing and refining alternatives and also evaluating the environmental impact of the two potential routes along the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. These two options are known as Alternative J, which would run along the west side of the parkway, and Alternative J-1, which would run along the east side. The report also considers if the two build alternatives are “reasonable and feasible for further evaluation in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement,” which is scheduled to be released early in 2019.

Each of the two routes would run parallel to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. On the west side (Alternative J), the rail line would run along the edge of the Parkway and pass under portions of central Greenbelt and the Forest Preserve. On the east side of the parkway the route (Alternative J-1) would run under several communities including Greenbriar as well as under or on portions of federal land, including the parkway itself, the National Security Agency and Goddard. Even though, according to the Washington Post, Northeast Maglev officials say that the route along the east side of the Parkway is their preferred option, maglev planners have not yet reached a decision about the route.

According to the non-partisan group Citizens Against This SCMaglev (CATS), “there is growing concern that because of the public-private nature of

this project, the potential billions of dollars of foreign investment available, and increased interest by both state and federal administrations – this train may be built in the near future without the independent deliberative evaluations and reviews that it deserves.” On its website, CATS advises those concerned to carefully read and then comment on the contents of the report. CATS also questions many of the alleged benefits of the maglev including that it will alleviate traffic congestion, provide jobs and bring economic growth and development.

According to the report, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) will continue to provide opportunities for agency comments on the alternatives to be considered during the environmental review process. The report also affirms that additional review and comment opportunities will be available during public circulation of the report.

According to the Baltimore Sun, Wayne Rogers, chairman and CEO of Baltimore Washington Rapid Rail, said that one clear point of the report is that “the project continues to proceed forward, incorporating at each step the comments of agencies and the public.”

Options for the maglev project will continue to be studied further as part of the federal environmental review process that is expected to be completed in early 2020. The FRA has said that it will select a preferred route and construction process next year. If the federal government gives its approval for the project, tunneling could begin as early as fall 2020 and the line could begin operations in 2027.



PHOTO BY KATHRYN BEARD

A blue heron sports fall plumage at the Lake.

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muscle spasms and anxiety disorders. An appointment with a physician is required and AltPharm can assist patients finding a doctor who participates in this system. A week is required for the MMCC to provide a patient number. Product costs vary with the type and quality of cannabis used, yet the most common amounts are measured in grams and cost \$10 to \$20.

Medical marijuana management is a three-tiered system. The first is the growing of it. Maryland licenses about 15 medical marijuana growers, since transport of the product across state lines is illegal. The next tier consists of processors who package and develop the crop into its many formulations including inhalable, capsules, lozenges and edible products. The last tier is distribution which is managed by the dispensaries. AltPharm contracts with MaryCann Direct (MCDirect) for deliveries of the product which will be used in Greenbelt. Home deliveries can often be made the day the product is requested and sometimes even within an hour. Weekly deliveries, however, are most common. Use of the Weedmap app can expedite the process. Riordon estimates that the state industry expects a \$100 million profit by the end of 2018.

Medical marijuana can be used for a variety of conditions. Pain relief and mitigating the uncom-

fortable side effects of chemotherapy are the most common. Other uses are the treatment of PTSD, fibromyalgia, and also for both increasing and suppressing the appetite. Riordon and Heil added that cannabis can also help in meth recovery and opioid withdrawal by lessening its flu-like symptoms. Riordon said that general practitioners are the most common prescribers of medical cannabis along with dentists and, interestingly, podiatrists.

In an interview with Susan Harris of Greenbelt Online, Heil explained the relationship between the two central substances in marijuana, tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and cannabidiol (CBD). THC provides the high while CBD is a non-psychoactive element that has been found to aid in the neurological treatment of epilepsy as well as possibly arthritis, anxiety and cancer. When asked if CBD could be effective solely on its own without the presence of THC, thus negating the need for a prescription, she replied by mentioning the entourage effect, which suggests that even a small amount of THC can make treatment more effective. Patients can choose to make use of products such as tablets, concentrates or creams, which have a 10 to 1 ratio of CBD to THC, thus providing only the

relief they desire without THC’s psychoactive effects.

Before becoming director of communications at AltPharm, Riordon spent 15 years as a journalist for the American Physical Society. In addition to her role as company spokesman, Heil has spent the last five years as a science communicator for Maryland NanoCenter at the University of Maryland. She said that her past experience has been invaluable as she talks to the public about medical cannabis.

In Harris’s interview, Heil revealed that she herself is a medical cannabis user as well. She suffers from anxiety and idiopathic seizure disease. She is working with her physician to determine if long-term cannabis use will bring the relief she seeks and is waiting to see if research will bear out cannabis’s role in treating these disorders. Riordon said that he does not have a condition that warrants treatment with cannabis.

When asked about the possibility of recreational marijuana becoming legalized in Maryland, Heil said she felt it was likely, perhaps in the next 10 years. It would provide tax revenues and would be safely and efficiently regulated. She asserted that there will always be a medical market because it can truly provide relief.

City Notes

The Community Center hosted an American Red Cross Blood Drive.

Arts staff provided a stained glass workshop and a painting workshop for local Girl Scouts. A monthly Art Share provided opportunity for local artists to network and receive feedback on their work.

Animal Control found two stray dogs and returned them to their owners, impounded two cats and assisted with holding a dog while police executed an eviction. Three kittens were surrendered and one cat and one dog were adopted.

Recreation administrative staff attended a Maryland Municipal League Parks and Recreation Department meeting in Catonsville, which included training by Pathways for Autism.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability/Environmental crews collected 29.98 tons of refuse and 15.71 tons of recyclable material.

The GAIL Program presented a workshop: Tools, Tips and Techniques for Caregivers of People Living with Dementia.



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Anne Wallace displays a Greenbelt News Review in Sydney, Australia.

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## Santa Fly-in to College Park, Saturday, December 1

Santa will arrive at the historic College Park Airport on Saturday, December 1, at approximately 12:30 p.m. in his special sleigh. The Santa Fly-in program runs from noon to 4 p.m. at the College Park Aviation Museum located at 1985 Corporal Frank Scott Drive. This year the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) is joining the fun to help celebrate the season and the 100th anniversary of airmail.

After arriving, Santa will stroll into the museum’s main gallery where visitors may have their picture taken with him. Holiday arts and crafts, including a card-making station, will be available for adults and children throughout the museum.

Visitors who want to get a good viewing location inside the museum to see Santa fly in are encouraged to arrive well before his anticipated noon arrival time. Online ticket purchase is available via the calendar of events on the aviation museum’s website at CollegeParkAviationMuseum.com.

Parking is free in airport lots and the museum/airport is walkable from the College Park Metro station. There is an admission fee for adults and children. The museum shop is open for holiday shopping from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 301-864-6029 or email AviationMuseum@pgparks.com.

Children of all ages can add a festive seasonal flair to holiday cards with a special postmark to commemorate the Santa Fly-in event and the 100th anniversary of airmail. USPS will offer an assortment of holiday and airmail stamps. Any letters postmarked during the Santa Fly-in must be received by the USPS at the museum.

For any parent looking for a reply from Santa to their letter, complete with a North Pole postmark, the postal elves have you covered. Just follow these steps:

- Place a child’s letter to Santa in an envelope addressed to: Santa Claus, North Pole.
- Later, when alone, open the envelope and write a personalized response.
- Insert the response letter into an envelope and address it to the child.
- Add the return address: SANTA, NORTH POLE, to the envelope.
- Affix a First-Class Mail stamp to the envelope.
- Place the completed envelope into a larger envelope – preferably a Priority Mail Flat Rate envelope – with appropriate postage and address it to: North Pole Postmark, Postmaster, 4141 Postmark Drive, Anchorage, AK 99530-9998.

Letters from Santa must be received by the Anchorage postmaster no later than December 16. Santa’s helpers at the Postal Service will take care of the rest. Postal personnel at the Santa Fly-in event will be available to help complete and mail letters from Santa.

The special postmark celebrates the communication milestone of mail traveling in an airplane, which led to the birth of America’s commercial airlines. The Post Office Department initiated regular U.S. Air Mail Service from College Park Airfield in Maryland to New York City on August 12, 1918. This 218-mile route was the first step in establishing a transcontinental mail route by air.

### GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

## Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, [www.greenbeltmd.gov/police](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police)  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

#### Robbery

November 13, 7:28 p.m., 7500 block Greenway Center Drive. Three men approached a man about to use the ATM at the Educational Systems Federal Credit Union. One was armed with a gun. The ATM user was ordered to the ground and one man took his wallet and car keys as another struck him in the head with the handgun, causing a laceration. The men then fled. The ATM user was transported to UM Prince George’s Hospital Center for treatment.

#### Threat

November 10, 5 p.m., 550 Crescent Road. A 49-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with threats of mass violence after he approached a man and gave him a letter asking if he would like to help with an armed assault on the Greenbelt Police Department. An arrest warrant was obtained and he was taken into custody at his residence on November 11 and transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

#### Theft

November 10, 7 a.m., 5400 block Stream Bank Lane. Jewelry was taken from a residence.

November 10, 7 p.m., 6000 block Breezewood Drive. A home was ransacked and a Bluetooth speaker and notebook-type computer were taken.

November 13, 6:09 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 25-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with theft after he allegedly took money from a tip jar at Jersey Mike’s Subs. The money was recovered, and he was released on citation pending trial.

November 14, 11:55 a.m., 11 Crescent Road. An unattended cell phone was taken at the

Greenbelt Library. A man seen taking the phone is described as black with shoulder-length dreadlocks, wearing a white three-quarter length sleeved shirt with blue sleeves and grey sweatpants.

#### Fraud

November 8, 6:29 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. A 25-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with identity theft and a 14-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for fraud. Both of them entered Chipotle Mexican Grill and paid for food with a fraudulent credit card. The adult was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner and the youth was released to a guardian pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

#### Burglary

November 9, 9 a.m., 8100 block Miner Street. Building materials were taken from a house under construction.

#### Vehicle Crime

One vehicle was stolen from the 6000 block Springhill Drive on November 8, a 4-door white 2005 Mazda MX3 with Md. tags 3DA1467.

Three vehicles were recovered. A 1999 Ford Focus was recovered on November 9 in 54 Court Ridge Road prior to it having been reported stolen in the 100 block of Centerway.

A 2007 Honda Civic hatchback reported stolen to Laurel police was recovered in the 9100 block Edmonston Court. A 2015 Hyundai Elantra stolen from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace was recovered in the 5700 block Greenbelt Metro Drive.

Multiple thefts from vehicles were reported. Four tires and rims were taken from the same vehicle in the 200 block Lakeside

Drive. These items were also taken from a vehicle in the 6900 block Hanover Parkway, which also had a window broken out and a laptop computer and money taken.

Items were taken from three unlocked vehicles. Two were on Plateau Place, where in 1 Court CDs were taken and in 10 Court, a flashlight and Metro access card. In the 6500 block Springcrest Drive a tablet computer was taken. Credit cards were taken from a wallet in the 7400 block Greenbelt Road, where there was no sign of forced entry.

Items were taken from two vehicles after windows were broken out. Taken from the 7600 block Mandan Road were a hydraulic jack, lug nut wrench and tire inflator, and in the 6100 block Breezewood Court a cell phone and money were taken.

Two incidents of vandalism were reported. A front passenger window was broken out in the 7500 block Mandan Road. In the second case, a man walking to his vehicle in the 9100 block Edmonston Court noticed a person kneeling next to it. This person ran away and the car owner noticed one of his tires was slashed.

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Sports

Legion Golf Tourney Raises Funds to Support Post’s Community Activities

by Butch Hicks

Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 plans for 2019 include activities to continue veteran and community support programs and also raise funds to ensure continued Post operation. “It was clear that without certain infrastructure repairs the Post could not provide veteran support functions and community support activities,” said Assistant Post Manager Brian Crabill. “How would Legion, Sons of the American Legion and Auxiliary members continue contributing to Maryland Center for Veterans Education and Training, the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, local community schools support and contributions to nursing scholarships, among other Post support programs?”

After considering several options, Crabill developed a golf tournament to be held annually as a fundraiser for Post support. The tournament was held on a 72 degree, sunny, October 12. It was a full-blown success, as 84 men and women golfers from Greenbelt and as far away as Frederick, Md., and Georgetown, Del., teed off at Bowie Golf and

Country Club.

Crabill said the tournament’s fun quota was high with plenty of food and drink on the course and golfing challenges in putting, longest drives, closest to the pin and team results. “The awards ceremony at the Post was a full house as we presented prizes to winning foursomes and individuals.”

Crabill offered special thanks to the many sponsors that helped make the tournament a success, including supplying gift bags and door prizes so everyone could feel like a winner. “The volunteers on the course and at the Post were tireless, starting in early morning and helping until late afternoon,” he said. Ken Hall, who drove from Prince Frederick to play, said for a first tournament the event was well planned. “The organization of the tournament including start time, movement around the course, signage about hole events and score card processing was perfect. I particularly liked the 19th-hole awards program held at the Legion. I’m in for next year.”



From left, Tommy Bryant, former Sons of the American Legion (SAL) commander, and Corey Micallef, SAL adjutant, debate chances of Jerry Darnell, SAL commander, making his long putt during the Greenbelt American Legion golf tournament.

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Standing, Doreen Clower, Post finance officer, helps Dana Coleman, former Auxiliary president, with a putting effort.



Andrew McKenney tees off at Bowie Golf Course.

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City of Greenbelt Department of Recreation, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 Business Office: 301-397-2200 [www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation)

**HOLIDAY MARKET**  
December 2  
10:00AM - 2:00PM  
Greenbelt Farmers Market  
25 Crescent Road

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**SANTA'S VISIT & ELVES WORKSHOP**  
December 8  
10:00AM - 3:00PM  
Greenbelt Youth Center  
99 Centerway

Santa's Visit: FREE picture with Santa from 10am-12pm, all ages  
Elves Workshop: Ages 6-12, \$10/child  
Create holiday crafts and treats! 1-3pm, pre-registration required  
Activity #139502-1

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**  
December 1  
8:00AM-11:00AM  
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**GEAC TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY**  
December 2  
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Greenbriar Community Building  
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**NORTH POLE CALLING**  
December 12- December 14  
6:00PM-7:30PM  
Ages pre-school through second grade  
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Santa and his helpers will make a special CALL to your home to check whether your kids are being naughty or nice. Complete the informational flier available online [www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation) and throughout city recreational facilities for your child's opportunity to chat. Return flier by 12/14 to the Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway.

**COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING**  
Friday, November 30, 7:00PM, FREE!  
Roosevelt Center Mall, All ages welcome  
Holiday lights will adorn the tree in the traditional spirit of the Festival of Lights season. A musical performance by the Greenbelt Concert Band Brass Choir will herald Santa's grand entrance to help light the tree. Complimentary cookies and hot chocolate will be provided by the Recreation Department. Immediately following the tree lighting, please come inside the Old Greenbelt Theatre and enjoy "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" (1966).

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December 9  
3:00PM  
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November 30  
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Happy Holidays to all from Greenbelt Recreation!



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